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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Specification

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: On page 8 line 13 and all other occurrences, the word "overide" should be replaced with "override". On page 9 line 22, the phrase "pivot pin 84" should be replaced with "pivot pin 82". On page line 13, the phrase "detent 100" should be replaced with "detent 98".

Appropriate correction is required.

## Claim Objections

- 2. Claims 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 12-16 are objected to because of the following informalities: the word "overide" should be replaced with "override".
- 3. Claim 11 is objected to because of the following informalities: On line 19, the phrase "a locking and disposed between..." should be replaced with "a locking rod disposed between...".

Appropriate correction is required.

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

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5. Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Brunson.

The applied reference has a common assignee with the instant application.

Based upon the earlier effective U.S. filing date of the reference, it constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). This rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) might be overcome either by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is thus not the invention "by another," or by an appropriate showing under 37 CFR 1.131.

Brunson discloses the same invention including a base (12), a table rotatably secure to the base (44), a detent system disposed between the table and the base (Fig. 5) that the detent system is movable between a first position where the table is releasably held and a second position where the table is free to rotate (Figs. 8A-C), a detent plate (48) fixedly secure to the base (Fig. 5), that the detent plate defines at least on slot (54), a detent spring (86) fixedly secure to the table (Fig. 6), that the detent spring is biased toward the detent plate (Fig. 8A), that the detent spring engages a detent slot to releasably hold the table with respect to the base (92), a locking mechanism (94) disposed between the base and the table (Fig. 6), that the locking mechanism is separate from and parallel to the detent system (Fig. 6), a lever (87) pivotally secured to the table (Fig. 6), a locking bracket (94) fixedly secured to the table (Fig. 6) and movable between a released and retained position (Figs. 8A-C), a locking rod (84) disposed between the locking lever and the locking bracket (Fig. 6), that the locking rod moves the locking bracket to the retained position when the locking lever is

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pivoted to the locked position (Fig. 8A), that the detent system includes a detent override lever (89) pivotally secured to the table (Fig. 6) for moving the detent spring away from the detent plate (Fig. 8C), that the locking rod is parallel and adjacent to the detent override lever (Fig. 8B), that the detent override lever is biased away from the detent spring (93), and that the detent override lever is disposed adjacent the locking lever (Fig. 6).

#### Conclusion

- 6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Brault et al. ('624), Brault et al. ('042), Stumpf et al., and Judge.
- 7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason Prone whose telephone number is 703-605-4287. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-5:00, Mon (every other) Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allen N. Shoap can be reached on 703-308-1082. In lieu of mailing, it is encouraged that all formal responses be faxed to 703-872-9302.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1148.

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February 27, 2003

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